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TITLE OF INVENTION: VEHICLE PEDAL DEVICE CAPABLE OF ADJUSTING PEDAL POSITION IN LONGITUDINAL DIRECTION OF VEHICLE

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